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Subject:

**Divisional Patent Application** of

Serial No.: 09/310,257 5/12/99

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A METHOD TO INCREASE THE COUPLING RATIO OF WORD LINE TO FLOATING GATE BY LATERAL

COUPLING IN STACKED-GATE FLASH

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment for the above referenced Divisional Patent

Application. Please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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